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SUBJECT: ZAIRIAN TROOPS INTO RWANDA?

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REF: A) STATE 103902 B) MCCULLEY-DUBROW TELCON 4/19

1. C - ENTIRE TEXT. ACTION REQUEST IN PARA. 5.

2. IN THE COURSE OF A CONVERSATION ON A PROPOSED
TRILATERAL STATEMENT ON ZAIRE (SEPTTEL), POLOFF ASKED WIL
JAENEN, BELGIAN MFA DIRECTOR FOR SUBSAHARAN AFRICA, FOR AN
UPDATE ON INFORMATION ABOUT MOVEMENTS OF ZAIRIAN TROOPS
TOWARDS THE RWANDAN BORDER OR INTO RWANDA PROPER. (FYI:
THERE HAVE BEEN ALLUSIONS IN THE BELGIAN PRESS TO SUCH

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MOVEMENTS.) JAENEN SAID THE INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE MFA (REFTEL) HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN PASSED BY COMMERCIAL BELGIAN SOURCES IN THE AREA. THEY HAD OBSERVED REPEATED "HEAVY TRAFFIC" INTO GOMA AND TOWARDS GIZENGI. THE MFA HAD BEEN TRYING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THESE ARE ARMS AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT TRAFFIC DESTINED FOR RWANDA AND ROUTED THROUGH ZAIRE. JAENEN SAID THAT WITH FEW BELGIANS LEFT IN THE AREA, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE GOB TO DETERMINE WHAT THESE MOVEMENTS MEAN.

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3. POLOFF DUBROW ALERTED TERRY MCCULLEY (REFCON) TO RENEWED BELGIAN PARLIAMENTARY INTEREST IN A 1990 REPORT BY THE RWANDAN TOURISM AND NATIONAL PARKS BUREAU (OFFICE RWANDAIS DU TOURISME ET PARCS NATIONALS). THE REPORT ALLEGED PROFITS FROM A HEMP PLANTATION IN RWANDA PARTIALLY FINANCED THE IMPORTATION OF WEAPONS INTO THE COUNTRY. ACCORDING TO MAGDA ALVOET, FLEMISH DEPUTY FOR THE GREEN PARTY AGALEV AND A MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, THE HEMP PLANTATION WAS TEMPORARILY SHUT DOWN BY FORMER PRES.

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HABYARIMANA. OPERATIONS WERE RESUMED, HOWEVER, IN 1991 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTINUING TO BRING WEAPONS INTO RWANDA. ALVOET ASKED WHETHER THE USG HAD ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THESE ALLEGATIONS.

4. POST HAS NO INFORMATION IN ITS FILES ABOUT THE 1990 REPORT. WE NOTE THAT PARLIAMENTARY INTERPELLATIONS ON RWANDA WILL BEGIN THIS WEEK. QUESTIONS ABOUT ARMS TRAFFICKING, METHODS OF FINANCING, SOURCES AND ROUTING OF WEAPONS WILL LIKELY BE ASKED, AS WELL AS ABOUT UNAMIR'S INABILITY TO CONTROL MOVEMENT OF WEAPONS INTO RWANDA IN THE MONTHS PRECEDING THE APRIL 6 EVENTS.

5. ACTION REQUEST: PLEASE PROVIDE ASAP ANY INFORMATION OR GUIDANCE ON THE SUBJECT OF ARMS TRAFFICKING, LIKELY SUPPLIERS AND ROUTES, AS WELL AS ANY CONNECTION TO DRUG TRAFFICKING.

6. BUJUMBURA MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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